Notification of a Structure/Function Statement, FFDCA 403(r)(6); 21 U.S.C.  $\Phi$  343(r)(6).

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Text:

The Great Northern White Bean (Phaseolus vulgaris) contains an inhibitor of alpha-amylase, an enzyme that of starch in the promotes the breakdown gastrointestinal tract. Ingestion of this inhibitor ("starch-blocker"), which is present in the protein fraction of the bean, can reduce the digestion of starch in foods so that less sugars are absorbed, thus reducing available caloric content of some foods. This statement has not been evaluated by the Food and Drug Administration. This product is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease.

Name of Dietary Supplement: Carbohydrate Inhibitor™.

(Fit America, Inc., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441; private label)

I hereby certify that the information contained in this notification is complete and accurate, and that there is substantiation that the statement is truthful and not misleading.

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